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New Mexico Environment Department (NMED)
ATTN: Superfund Oversight Section
Mark Garman, Program Manager
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RE: Request for a Time-Critical Removal Action at the Tronox Navajo Area Uranium Mines (NAUM) Section 18 Uranium Mine Area Residential Site, McKinley County, New Mexico

Dear Mark Garman:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) appreciates having the New Mexico Environment Department as one of the designated Administrative Record facilities for the Tronox Navajo Area Uranium Mines (NAUM) Section 18 Uranium Mine Area Residential Site (Site). Please place the enclosed Administrative Record at your facility to be available for public review.

EPA may send supplemental volumes and indexes to you, to be placed with the initial record file. The record file should be treated as a non-circulating reference. The records should not be removed from your facility, but may be photocopied. If documents become damaged or lost, please contact this office for replacements.

The Agency is required by law to make Administrative Records available to the public at or near a facility at issue. The Administrative Record consists of information upon which EPA bases its selection of response action for a particular removal site. The availability of these records will provide the public the opportunity to comment constructively on site activities and to understand the issues relating to the selection of the response action.

Enclosed also is a fact sheet and other documentation to assist you and your staff in answering questions by the public concerning Administrative Records for selection of removal actions.

To verify the receipt of the Administrative Record file, we would appreciate your completion of the attached Document Transmittal Acknowledgement form. For a more prompt and efficient reply, please copy the acknowledgement portion of the form into an email and forward to horner.jo@epa.gov.

Thank you for your cooperation with the EPA in serving as a Field Repository. If you have any questions or comments, please contact, Jo Horner, 6SF/SEE at 214-665-7366.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Susan Webster". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Susan" and last name "Webster" clearly distinguishable.

Susan Webster
CERCLA Assessment and Removal Team

Enclosures: